

Claims

- [c1] A video game apparatus for use with at least one game controller and a video display, said apparatus comprising:
- a video game player having a videodisk player, and electrical connections for connecting a video controller and a video display, said videodisk player having a disk interface for reading game data on a videodisk, said videodisk player receiving user input from at least one game controller and generating video output for displaying game play with a video display;
 - a disk storage device for storing multiple videodisks;
 - a title display for displaying to users images of videodisk titles that are in said disk storage device;
 - a videodisk transfer device;
 - a user operable videodisk selector; and
 - a control which responds to a selection made with said videodisk selector and controls said videodisk transfer device to retrieve a selected videodisk from said storage device and transfers the selected videodisk to said video game player.
- [c2] The video game apparatus in claim 1 wherein said

videodisk selector is located remote from said videodisk player, said storage device and said videodisk transfer device.

[c3] The video game apparatus in claim 2 including a kiosk housing, wherein said videodisk selector is housed in said kiosk housing with a video display and at least one game controller.

[c4] The video game apparatus in claim 1 including a kiosk housing for said video game player, said disk storage device, said disk changer, said disk selector and said control are housed in said kiosk housing.

[c5] The video game apparatus in claim 1 including a credit acceptor.

[c6] The video game apparatus in claim 5 including speakers for producing audio from said video game player.

[c7] The video game apparatus in claim 1 including speakers for producing audio from said video game player.

[c8] The video game apparatus in claim 1 for use with a plurality of game controllers.

[c9] The video game apparatus in claim 1 wherein said disk selector comprises keypad.

- [c10] The video game apparatus in claim 9 wherein said title display comprises a title rack operable to hold a printed game jacket.
- [c11] The video game apparatus in claim 1 wherein said title display comprises a title rack operable to hold a printed game jacket.
- [c12] The video game apparatus in claim 1 wherein said disk selector comprises a touch screen defined with said video display.
- [c13] The video game apparatus in claim 12 wherein said title display comprises images of videodisks displayed on said video display.
- [c14] The video game apparatus in claim 1 including a default mode in which said control retrieves a particular videodisk to transfer to said video game player unless a user has selected a different videodisk.
- [c15] The video game apparatus in claim 1 wherein said control displays attract video on a video display when said video game player is not in use.
- [c16] A method of demonstrating video games stored on videodisks for the purpose of marketing, selling or merchandizing video games, comprising:

providing a video game player having a videodisk player, at least one game controller, and a video display, said videodisk player having a disk interface for reading game data on a videodisk, said videodisk player receiving user input from said at least one game controller and displaying game images with said video display;
storing multiple videodisks with a disk storage device;
displaying to users images of videodisks that are in said disk storage device;
providing a videodisk transfer device and a user operable videodisk selector;
receiving user selections with said videodisk selector and retrieving a videodisk with said videodisk transfer device selected with said selector at said storage device and transferring the selected videodisk to said video game player.

[c17] The method of claim 16 wherein said at least one controller, said videodisk selector, and said video display are located remote from said videodisk player, said storage device and said videodisk transfer device.

[c18] The method of claim 17 including providing a kiosk for said at least one game controller, said videodisk selector and said video display in a kiosk.

[c19] The method of claim 16 including providing a kiosk for

said video game player, said disk storage device, and said disk selector.

[c20] A method of playing video games stored on videodisks, comprising:
providing a video game player having a videodisk player, a game controller, and a video display, said videodisk player having a disk interface for reading game data on a videodisk, said videodisk player receiving user input from said at least one game controller and displaying game images with said video display;
storing multiple videodisks with a disk storage device;
displaying to users images of videodisks that are in said disk storage device;
providing a videodisk transfer device and a user operable videodisk selector;
receiving user selections with said videodisk selector and retrieving a videodisk with said videodisk transfer device selected with said selector at said storage device and transferring the selected videodisk to said video game player.

[c21] The method of claim 20 wherein said at least one controller, said videodisk selector, and said video display are located remote from said videodisk player, said storage device and said videodisk transfer device.

- [c22] The method of claim 21 including providing a kiosk for said at least one game controller, said videodisk selector and said video display in a kiosk.
- [c23] The method of claim 20 including providing a kiosk for said video game player, said disk storage device, and said disk selector.